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## Media Advisory: New York State Canal Corporation and Parks and Trails NY Kick-off Canal Clean Sweep Weekend in Waterford

Date: Friday, April 22, 2022

**Time:** 3:30 pm

**Location:** Champlain Canalway Trail, Village of Waterford

**Parking:** St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church parking lot, intersection of Division

Street and 6th Street, Waterford, NY 12188

## **Event:**

Director Brian U. Stratton and Canal Corporation staff will join <u>Parks and Trails NY</u> in kicking-off the <u>17<sup>th</sup> Annual Canal Clean Sweep</u> weekend in Waterford by sprucing up the Champlain Canalway Trail just north of Division Street. Participants will clean-up debris and liter left along the trail from this past winter as well as rake and remove small, downed tree limbs and branches.

More than 120 Canal Clean Sweep events are scheduled this weekend across the 524-mile Canal system and 400-mile Canalway Trail, which is part of the statewide Empire State Trail.

The Canal Clean Sweep coincides with New York's annual Earth Day celebrations by providing opportunities for thousands of residents to give back to their local communities and to show pride in one of New York's most iconic cultural and recreational resources.

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## **About the New York State Canal Corporation**

New York's Canal system includes four historic canals: the Erie, Champlain, Oswego, and Cayuga – Seneca. Spanning 524 miles, the waterway links the Hudson River with the Great Lakes, the Finger Lakes and Lake Champlain. The canals form the backbone

of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor and connect hundreds of unique and historic communities.

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